Gertrude D. Bishop, Main Street, Cochituate, Massachusetts

May 23, 1949

Trustees of Wayland Public Library
Gentlemen:-
I hereby tender my resignation as Librarian of Cochituate Branch Reading-Room, said resignation to take effect June 30th 1949.
I also want to thank the Trustees for the privileges and Courtesy extended me during the past 35 years of my service.
If needed, I will gladly help my successor.

Very truly Yours
Gertrude D. Bishop

Gertrude D. Bishop, Main Street, Cochituate, Massachusetts

April 20, 1949

My dear Mr Dudley:-

As you know, the time is drawing near, when according to the Retirement System, I am to tender my resignation as Asst. Librarian of Cochituate Branch to take effection July 1st 1949. Now of course I will do that, but I want to ask a favor, with the permission of the Trustees, can I have that time extended to Oct. 1, 1949 I would like to stay until then as it would mean I have completed Thirty-five (35) years of service.

I mean that would be independent of the Retirement System, and up to the Trustees.

Of course I feel awfully to give up the work, as long as I can do it, but I know I have go to before long.

Very Truly Yours

Gertrude D. Bishop

Gertrude D. Bishop, Main Street, Cochituate, Massachusetts

Thursday
1949

Dear Mr Dudley:-

You see by letter I'll have to send in my resignation, which I will send you before your next meeting.

Thanks for every thing

Gertie Bishop

Gertrude D. Bishop

80 Main Street, Cochituate, Massachusetts

May 26. 1947.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Wayland:-

Gentlemen:- I respectfully request that the Board of Selectmen grant permission to Trustees of the Wayland Library to retain me as assistant Librarian for a period of two years from the date that the Retirement System for Cities and Towns becomes operative in the Town of Wayland, or until July 1, 1949.

In making application for your approval to my continuance in the service of the Town, I wish to state that I have served as Assistant Librarian of the Town Library, at the Cochituate Branch over thirty consecutive years, and altho that I am over the retirement age, I believe that I am able to perform my duties, as I have in the past. It is my understanding that should you see fit to grant my request, the Trustees may continue to employ me for two years, and then I would be eligible for a pension. Your favorable consideration of my request will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely Yours- Gertrude Bishop

WINDYHILL

WAYLAND, MASSACHUSETTS

Meeting June 15

H.C. M. appointed sec. pro. tem.

Moved that Mrs Katharine Damon be employed as assistant librarian in charge of the Cochituate branch, on a trial basis, at a salary of $58.33 per month begining July 1, 1949. The secretary to be instructed to notify Mrs Damon of this arrangement.

Sec. to ~~na~~ write letter of appreciation to Mrs Bishop for long + faithful service (tell Mrs Curry to put paragraph about her in annual report)

It was moved that Mrs Walker be

appointed outside caretaker at $1 per hour to care for lawns & snow removal. Sec to write to Richard Sanderson and tell him that his services will no longer be required (budget for maintenance are low because of high cost of labor)

House committee asked to get busy about lights!

Adjourned at 9.05

H. C. M.

POLAND SPRING HOUSE
POLAND SPRING, MAINE

Dear Mrs. Bishop,

I am writing you in behalf of the Trustees of the Wayland Library. They wish to express to you their appreciation for your [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] in the Library [illegible] Collinsville, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

with you in that capacity but an
[illegible] proved to many happy years
of ~~[illegible]~~ friendship.

It must have had satisfaction and
[illegible] of pleasure to you to know
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and I am sure you're life will
continue to be full and [illegible]
because of the many [illegible] you
have made through the years.

We ~~[illegible]~~ congratulate you
and wish you much ~~[illegible]~~ happiness
to come.

Pochituate Mass.
May 26, 1947

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Hopkinton:-

Gentlemen:-

I respectfully request that the Board of Selectmen grant permission to the Trustees of the Hopkinton Library to retain me as Assistant Librarian for the period of two years, from the date that the Retirement System for Cities and Towns becomes operative in the Town of Hopkinton, or until July 1, 1949.

In making application for your approval to my continuance in the service of the Town, I wish to state that I have served as Assistant Librarian at the Pochituate Branch over thirty consecutive years, and although I am over the retirement age, I think I am able to perform my duties, as I have in the past.

It is my understanding that should you be disposed to grant my request the Trustees may continue to employ me for two years, and thus I would be eligible for a pension. Your favorable consideration of my request will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely Yours,

Gertrude C. Bishop.

Hugh Colliton

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HOWARD S. HATCH, Secretary
CHARLES P. HOWARD, Treasurer

MIDDLESEX COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER

COURT HOUSE, EAST CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

May 17, 1949

Miss Gertrude D. Bishop
Cochituate, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Bishop:

I have your letter requesting the approval of the Middlesex County Retirement Board to remain in the service of the town until October 1, 1949.

Under the law the Board of Retirement has already granted you permission to remain in the service until June 30, 1949, that is until two years after June 30, 1947 when the town joined the Retirement System. This is the last date to which your retirement can be postponed by law. No board has any power under the law to extend your retirement beyond that date. Consequently, you cannot be continued legally in the employ of the town until October 1, 1949.

The payment of your pension should begin by the period starting July 1, 1949, and you should receive your first pension check on August 1. The Retirement Board has to vote your retirement and then send the papers to the State Divison of Insurance for the computation of your pension. Due to the fact that the State Division of Insurance has a great many cases to handle, this process takes some weeks. I have already forwarded to the Division of Insurance the figures of most of the people who are due to retire on June 30.

If you do not promptly fill out and sign the papers that were sent to you, it will be impossible for me to obtain the figures for your pension from the Division of Insurance in time to mail you your check on August 1. Will you not promptly sign them and forward them immediately?

Under the law you positively cannot be employed for the town after June 30. The only question is whether or not it will be possible for me to start paying you your pension on August 1.

Very sincerely,

Charles P. Howard
Treasurer
Middlesex County Retirement Board

CPH:HF

PONTE VEDRA CLUB
PONTE VEDRA BEACH
FLORIDA

Copy Letter to Mrs. Katherine Damon.

This is to ~~verify~~ notify you that ~~by vote of~~ the trustees of the Wayland Library ~~at their meeting on June 15~~ voted at their meeting June 15 to appoint you as assistant librarian in charge of the Coch. branch on a trial basis at a salary of $8.33 per month beginning July 1, 1949.

Mrs. Curry, the Wayland Librarian, will get in touch with you to help out line the work. The Trustees stand ready to be ~~of service to you~~ helpful at any time.

Would you send your reply in writing

to me so that we may have it

for our records?